



LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY  
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COMMISSIONER



LOUISIANA FORESTRY COMMISSION

February 19, 2008

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PROCEEDINGS

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Burton Weaver at 9a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called by Ms. Geri McNeal.

Members Present: Burton Weaver, Sam Pruitt, Ed Myers, Dick Richardson, Allen Rutherford, Wayne Hagan and Kenny Ribbeck

A quorum was present.

Others present: Kirk Casanova, LDAF

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**Motion:** Mr. Pruitt made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 10, 2007 meeting. This motion was seconded by Mr. Richardson and passed unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion:** Mr. Richardson made a motion to move into executive session to begin the process of selecting the new State Forester. This motion was seconded by Mr. Hagan and passed unanimously.

At 4:00 p.m. the Louisiana Forestry Commission returned to public session.

**Motion:** Mr. Richardson made a motion for the Commission to recess until 10:00 a.m. on February 26. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pruitt and passed unanimously.

**RECONVENE**

Chairman Weaver called the meeting to order and reconvened at 10:05 a.m. February 26.

**ROLL CALL**

The roll was called by Ms. McNeal.

Members Present: Burton Weaver, Sam Pruitt, Ed Myers, Dick Richardson, Allen Rutherford and Wayne Hagan

Members absent: Kenny Ribbeck

A quorum was present.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion:** Mr. Myers made a motion to move into executive session to continue the process of selecting the new State Forester. This motion was seconded by Mr. Richardson and passed unanimously.

At 4:45 p.m. the Louisiana Forestry Commission returned to public session.

**Motion:** Mr. Myers made a motion for the Commission to recess until 8:30 a.m. on March 11. The motion was seconded by Mr. Richardson and passed unanimously.

### **RECONVENE**

Chairman Weaver called the meeting to order and reconvened at 8:30 a.m. March 11.

### **ROLL CALL**

The roll was called by Ms. McNeal.

Members Present: Burton Weaver, Sam Pruitt, Ed Myers, Dick Richardson, Allen Rutherford, Wayne Hagan and Kenny Ribbeck

A quorum was present.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Motion:** Mr. Pruitt made a motion to move into executive session to continue the process of selecting the new State Forester. This motion was seconded by Mr. Myers and passed unanimously.

At 9:50 a.m. the Louisiana Forestry Commission returned to public session.

**Motion:** Mr. Richardson made a motion to adjourn at 9:55 a.m. The motion was seconded by Mr. Myers and passed unanimously.